Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 23 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 24 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 22 Oct 2020 at 16:43 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions over next five days with showery, windy weather.

Headline for Friday 23 Oct 2020: Early rain soon giving way to sunny spells and scattered showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 23 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	60%	80%	20%	40%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Friday 23 Oct 2020

Weather: Cloudy with rain, heavy at first, soon clearing eastwards during the morning. Drier, brighter weather following with scattered showers. The showers most frequent over Argyll and Lochaber with the odd heavier one possible, wintry on highest peaks.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% at first, improving 70% during morning. Extensive cloud cover down around 600M lifting and breaking up during the morning.

Visibility: Misty conditions at first and poor in persistent precipitation. Visibility improving good during the morning with brief reductions in the afternoon as showers pass by.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	32/40 S	39/50 S	35/44 S	26/33 SW	26/36 SW	27/36 SW	28/36 SW	28/36 S	37/49 S
900	23/30 S	28/39 S	25/34 S	18/25 SW	20/28 SW	19/28 SW	20/28 SW	20/28 S	26/38 S
600	31/39 S	37/46 S	31/40 S	20/26 SW	21/30 SW	21/29 SW	20/28 SW	22/30 S	31/43 S
300	14/23 S	20/30 S	17/27 S	10/18 S	13/22 SW	11/20 SW	11/18 SW	12/20 S	18/31 S
Glen	10/22 S	15/31 S	11/25 S	7/18 SW	13/24 SW	9/20 SW	8/19 SW	9/20 S	13/29 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-10	-1/-10	-0/-8	-1/-8	-1/-8	-1/-9	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-11
900	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4	1/-5	1/-5	1/-6
600	5/-1	4/-2	5/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-2	4/-2	4/-3
300	7/3	6/2	7/3	7/4	7/4	7/4	6/2	6/2	6/1
Glen	8/6	8/5	8/6	9/7	9/6	9/6	7/5	7/5	8/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1300m	1000m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling bitterly cold over higher ridges/summits due to combination of strong winds and temperatures close to freezing. Risk of gales on highest peaks at first.

Forecast for Saturday 24 Oct 2020

Weather: Cloudy morning with outbreaks of rain and extensive hill fog. Brighter afternoon with sunny intervals and blustery showers, some heavy and turning wintry on highest peaks. Feeling bitterly cold on higher ridges and summits.

Maximum wind: Severe gale force southerly winds, even storm force on the tops at first, average speeds of 50mph with gusts 70 to 80mph. Winds soon becoming southwesterly and easing a little.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Very little chance in the morning with clouds well down the hills. Chances improving to 60% in afternoon with occasional cloud cover about 600 to 700m, briefly extensive as showers come along.

Visibility: Poor visibility, even very poor in heavier rain with navigational difficulties. Visibility will become good in afternoon away from showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1300M lowering to 1100m.

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